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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Zhong et al.

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Plants

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please enter the following amendment prior to the examination of this application.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

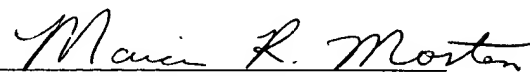
Please cancel Claim 17.

**REMARKS**

Claim 17 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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